

A legislative update from

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Dear Neighbor,

Happy March! We started this month by passing a bipartisan transportation budget that improves railroad safety, funds highway construction and creates jobs. This transportation budget is an investment in the people that will drive our state forward. Ohio’s most valuable resource is our people, which is why Ohio’s House Democrats are focused on putting people over politics.

Recently, the House majority caucus unveiled their priorities for the 135th General Assembly. Several of these are bipartisan priorities that will empower Ohioans and move our state forward. My colleagues and myself are excited to work across the aisle when it improves the lives of Ohioans and puts the people first. Nevertheless, we will not be beholden to extremist legislation that instigates needless culture wars or threatens the freedoms of Ohioans.

It is an honor to serve you as your state representative. As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Sincerely,






Tavia Galonski
State Representative
Ohio House District 33



Happy Birthday Ohio!
220 Years of Ohio!

March 1st marked the state of Ohio’s 220th birthday! Join me in celebrating our great state by fighting for legislation to make Ohio a great state for everyone.

Here's to another 220 fantastic years.



Working for You

I am hosting office hours throughout the 33rd House District to learn about the issues that matter most to you. I hope to see you there!

- **Monday, April 3, 2023** at Highland Square Library, 1-3pm
- **Monday, May 1, 2023** at Maple Valley Library

Please check Facebook for the most updated information on in-district events.



On March 23rd, I had the honor of speaking with the Ohio Domestic Violence Network (ODVN) to kick off their advocacy day in Columbus, where they met with legislators to discuss the importance of funding shelter services and other crucial resources for survivors to access in their time of need.

The estimated annual cost of intimate partner violence in Ohio is over \$436 million. In other words, it costs our state millions to *not* support efforts to stop the cycle of domestic violence. By investing in services like those provided by ODVN, we can not only save Ohio communities money—we can save the lives of countless survivors and their families.

Throughout my career I have worked very closely with survivors of domestic violence, and it is an issue that I hold very close to my heart. I am committed to supporting policies that protect survivors and break the cycle of domestic violence.

I am so grateful that ODVN included me in their special day. They do essential work for Ohioans impacted by domestic violence, and it was a privilege to meet with such passionate advocates.



Happy Women’s History Month! This month and every month, let us honor and support the amazing women who have shaped our state and country.

I am committed to advancing women’s rights and creating a more equal state. Equal pay, reproductive rights, and quality maternal health are at the forefront of our priorities. I am working hard in Columbus to ensure that our state is equitable and welcoming to everyone.



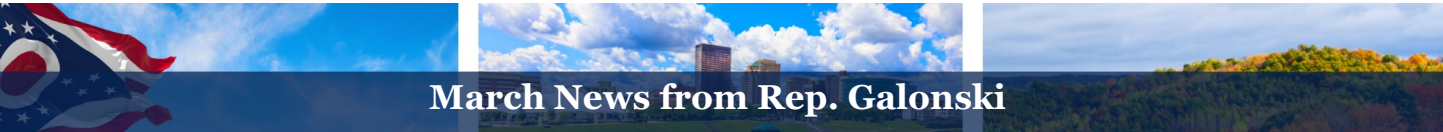
This month, the new House Constitutional Resolutions Committee met for the first time to hear sponsor testimony on House Joint Resolution (HJR) 1, which would make it more difficult to amend the Ohio constitution through citizen-led initiatives.

This unfair, unnecessary, and undemocratic legislation is a blatant attempt to subvert the will of Ohio’s voters and put power in the hands of extremists and special interest groups.

For over 110 years, we have trusted Ohioans to empower themselves with the ballot initiative process, and I believe they have earned that trust.

We will not allow out-of-touch politicians to rewrite the rules so that they can get what they want.

HJR 1 is a direct threat to our fundamental right to democracy. The people have a right to participate in the political process, and I will continue to fight to defend Ohioans’ freedom to have a say in the issues that matter most to them.



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